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TO AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN

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E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJ: MAJOR PROJECT: CITY DEVELOPMENT FOR MINING COMPLEX

1. SKIDMORE OWINGS & MERRILL (SOM) ARCHITECTS AND PLANNERS HAVE REQUESTED ASSISTANCE IN GATHERING INFORMATION REGARDING THE IRON ORE MINING COMPLEX BEING DEVELOPED NEAR THE CITY OF MAN. SOM UNDERSTANDS THAT COMPLEX WILL ENTAIL DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW TOWN AND WISH TO DO THE OVERALL PLANNING FOR THE TOWN. IT IS UNDERSTOOD BY SOM THAT THE DEVELOPERS ARE A CONSORTIUM INCLUDING MITSUBISHI AND A U.S. SUBSIDIARY OF MOORE-MCCORMICK LINES.

2. SOM HAS BEEN TALKING TO HARRY TORCZYNER CONSUL GENERAL FOR THE IVORY COAST IN NEW YORK CITY BUT HAS NOT BEEN ABLE TO GET ANY MEANINGFUL RESPONSE. A LETTER SENT TO TORCZYNER ON JULY 3, 1974 WITH A COPY TO MINISTER OF PLANNING MOHAMMED DIAWARA (ABIDJAN) HAS NOT BEEN ANSWERED. SOM SENT DIAWARA COPIES OF COMPANY BROCHURES ALSO.

3. SOM REQUESTS POST ASSIST IN ANSWERING FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

(A) HAS DIAWARA RECEIVED SOM LETTER?

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(B) WHAT IS STATUS OF CONTRACT AWARDS FOR

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES?

(C) IS CONSORTIUM OR DIAWARA OR SOME OTHER
ENTITY IN CHARGE OF MAKING THE AWARD FOR
TOWN PLANNING? WHO IS THE CONTACT (NAME
AND ADDRESS?

(D) WOULD THIS CONTACT BE RECEPTIVE TO A
VISIT BY SOM? (THEY OFFERED THIS VISIT
IN THE LETTER TO DIAWARA)

4. POST ASSISTANCE MUCH APPRECIATED. INGERSOLL

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